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2452. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:** क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान सरकार को प्रदूषण नियंत्रण अधिकारियों द्वारा गलत रिपोर्ट भेजने के संबंध में शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस अवधि के दौरान कोई प्रदूषण नियंत्रण अधिकारी गलत रिर्पोट भेजने का दोषी पाया गया था;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) सरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ): (क) से (घ) केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड ने सूचित किया है कि अधिकारियों द्वारा गलत रिपोर्ट भेजने के बारे में उन्हें दो शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई थी। दोनों रिपोर्टों की जांच की गई है तथा इनमें कोई अनियमितता नहीं पाई गई है।

International Convention to Combat Desertification

2453. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India had signed the International Convention to Combat Desertification held in Paris;

(b) if so, what specific and special obligations have devolved on Government as a result thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken to carry out these obligations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c) India is an affected country party and has the obligations listed in Article 5 of the Convention. In brief, these entail giving prioirty to combating desertification, establishing strategies therefor, promoting awareness amongst and facilitating participation of all concerned and providing an appropriate enabling environment. The Desert Development Programme (DDP) and Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) are already under implementation. A committee had been constituted for the preparation of a National Action Programme to combat desertification and mitigate the effects of drought.

Wildlife Week

2454. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Wild Life Week was celebrated commencing 2nd October, 1994;

(b) if so, whether a survey of the population of the lions, tigers, panthers and other endangered species was made, sanctuary and reserve-wise, if so, the results thereof; and

(c) what other programmes and scheme were launched in connection there with and the progress made therein and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir. The Wildlife week was observed from 2nd October, 1994.

(b) Census of major species of wild animals are conducted periodically by the States and not specifically during the wildlife week. Reserve-wise figures of population of wild animals are not compiled and collated in this Ministry. However, the population of some of the major species in the country are given in the statement (*See* below)